

have succeeded in keeping The Bernardsville News on every coffee table and front porch in Far Hills, Peapack-Gladstone, Bedminster Township and Bernards Township for the past 100 years.

Mr. Speaker, if the current quality of The Bernardsville News is any indication, I have every confidence that a similar group of grateful New Jerseyans will gather in 2097 for the 200th Anniversary Celebration of The Bernardsville News.

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES C. MILONAS

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to congratulate Dr. Charles C. Milonas for his dedication to improving our educational system. On June 30, 1997, he will celebrate three decades of service on boards of education.

Throughout the years, Dr. Charles Milonas has been committed to providing better schools in Macomb County. In 1967, Dr. Milonas began serving on the Clintondale School Board as the treasurer and secretary. After 4 years, Dr. Milonas ran for a seat on the Macomb Intermediate School Board where he has served with distinction to this date. Over the years, he has also been an active member of the Macomb School Boards Association, the Michigan Association of School Boards, and the National School Board Association. His leadership and commitment have made him a key player in the education of the children in our area.

When he was growing up, Charles Milonas was a serious student who always placed a high value on education. After attending Northeastern High School, he went on to receive his B.S. from Wayne State University and his D.D.S. from Northwestern University Dental School. He completed his postgraduate work at Walter Reed Army Medical School and the University of Detroit. Dr. Milonas learned from his own experience how important it is to have a strong educational background. This is the legacy that he has passed on to the children of our community.

The dedicated involvement of Dr. Milonas has not been motivated by fame or fortune, but by his desire to inspire and guide children. Dr. Milonas has said, "We all should carry a magic light in our hearts to guide our children through the adversities of life." On behalf of the students and parents in the community, I would like to thank Dr. Charles Milonas for his dedication to education.

IN MEMORY OF JACQUES YVES
COUSTEAU

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

Mr. FARR of California. Mr. Speaker, I come before you today to pay tribute to a man who is well-known around the world for his pioneering work in the field of marine research, conservation and education. Jacques Yves

Cousteau passed away this morning in Paris, at the age of 87.

Jacques Cousteau was an inventor, an explorer, and a concerned citizen of our world. He invented a waterproof housing for an underwater movie camera in 1936, and in 1943, with French engineer Emile Gagnon created the Aqualung, which allowed divers to swim untethered underwater for several hours. Cousteau fought for the French in WWII, and the Aqualung was used by divers to locate and remove enemy mines after the war. In 1950 he purchased the ship *Calypso* from which to conduct his explorations of the world oceans, beginning the work for which he is perhaps best known: bringing the excitement of the oceans to the public.

He showed people around the world the beauty of ocean ecosystems, exploring the depths with a sense of adventure, exposing the oceans as the last earthy frontier to be explored, as exciting and amazing as any exploration into space. He lectured, produced amazing underwater photography, and published many books. Two of his films, "The Silent World" (1956) and "World Without Sun" (1966) won Academy Awards for best documentary. His television program, "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau" (1968-1976) also brought the marvels of his expeditions and the undersea world into American homes, as well as the lasting image of him, jauntily smiling from the deck of the *Calypso*, clad in his black rubber wetsuit.

In 1974 he began The Cousteau Society, an organization whose membership now totals over 300,000 worldwide, to help raise public awareness of ocean issues and help promote wise management of our ocean resources. His work did not end at the shore, however, and he was active on many environmental issues, including the potentially devastating effects of overpopulation. He was awarded the Medal of Freedom by President Ronald Reagan in 1985, and in 1989, was honored by the French with membership in the French Academy.

He inspired many to love the sea, and to pursue careers in marine science. My district, the Monterey Bay area of California, has been particularly blessed in its connection to an incredibly diverse and abundant marine environment. Off our shores we have the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, the largest marine protected area in the country, encompassing environments that vary from the rocky intertidal to the incredible depths of the Monterey Canyon. Around the bay we have 18 institutions with world class, ongoing research in the marine environment. Over 1.7 million people visit our Monterey Bay Aquarium each year, to witness the amazing life we have off our shores, and to educate themselves about ocean life and human impacts which threaten it.

All ocean scientists, educators and managers owe a debt of gratitude to Jacques Cousteau for raising the public awareness and support of marine research and conservation.

In a recent interview, Cousteau was asked the question "Which area of pollution worries you the most?", to which he responded "I don't make a separation, I worry about the entire system. Our way of managing the Earth is wrong."

I would leave you with the thought that we can no longer plead ignorance of our aquatic environments. Through the work of Jacques

Cousteau, and thousands of other marine scientists, we are now more aware than ever of the amazing wonder and fragility of our ocean ecosystems. But our greatest tribute to this man, and this knowledge, should be the efforts we make to ensure the protection and wise management of our ocean resources.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RED DEVILS OF MAPLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

HON. BOB RILEY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding school from my home district. Maplesville High School, while not only committed to academic excellence, has achieved an amazing accomplishment. On May 16, 1997, the Red Devils captured the State title in Class 1-A baseball, finishing up with the school's first 30-win season. While this victory is impressive, the win's significance is only compounded when added to the string of victories the school has posted during the last 2 scholastic years. During the years 1995 through 1997, the students of Maplesville combined to win four 1-A State titles in three separate sports, including football, girl's basketball, and twice in boy's baseball.

I would like to commend the students of Maplesville High School and state that it is not only an honor for me but for all the people who are a part of Maplesville to recognize these athlete/students' achievements. The courage they displayed in pursuing their victory is indicative of the character traits—including dedication, a strong work ethic, and pride—we all hope today's students graduating from high school possess. The four trophies that stand vigil at Maplesville are poignant reminders of the accomplishments and the victories that the students earned. These trophies are also testimony to the aspirations a group of people can achieve if they are willing to work as a team, aiming at a common goal.

Though the State championships the school have amassed are quite impressive, I would also like to call attention to the fact that these student/athletes, who have balanced both academics and sports, have managed to collectively excel beyond expectation, persevering in the face of adversity. Each of these teams have achieved what no other in the State of Alabama can boast—they are No. 1 and the best in Alabama.

HONORING CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY
PATROL OFFICERS LARRY
STEINKRAUS AND NICK
BASSOLINO

HON. WALTER H. CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the selfless dedication of the men and women of the Department of the California Highway Patrol. The CHP was created on August 14, 1929, with the sole purpose of insuring safety, security, and service for the public.